

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 (original): A cable end assembly, comprising:

- an insulative housing;
- a plurality of electrical contacts received in the insulative housing;
- a cable electrically terminated with the electrical contacts
- an insulative cover assembled to the housing and comprising a first face engaging with the cable and a second face opposite to the first face; and
- a pull tab assembled to the cover and wrapping the second face of the cover.

Claim 2 (original): The cable end assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein the insulative cover has a pair of ribs respectively formed on a pair of side faces thereof, and wherein the pull tab engages with the ribs.

Claim 3 (original): The cable end assembly as claimed in claim 2, wherein each rib defines a slot along a longitudinal direction of the housing, and wherein the pull tab extends through the slots to enclose the pair of ribs, and wraps the second face of the cover.

Claim 4 (original): The cable end assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein the insulative housing comprises a mating face and a termination face opposite to the mating face, and wherein the insulative housing defines a plurality of passageways extending from the termination face toward the mating face to receive the electrical contacts.

Claim 5 (original): The cable end assembly as claimed in claim 4, wherein each electrical contact comprises a contacting portion received in a corresponding passageway of the insulative housing and an insulation displacement portion extending oppositely from the contacting portion and exposed beyond the termination face of the insulative housing to electrically connected with the cable.

Claim 6 (original): The cable end assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein the insulative housing comprises a base and a mating portion extending forwardly from the base, and wherein the mating portion is D-shaped.

Claim 7 (original): The cable end assembly as claimed in claim 6, wherein the insulative housing comprises a guiding post extending from one end of the base and adapted for engaging with a complementary connector.

Claim 8 (original): The cable end assembly as claimed in claim 6, wherein the insulative housing comprises a pair of engaging portions extending rearwardly from opposite ends of the base, and wherein the cover comprises a pair of latches extending forwardly therefrom to respectively engage with the pair of engaging portions of the insulative housing.

Claim 9 (original): An IDC (Insulation Displacement Connection) cable end connector assembly, comprising:

an insulative housing;

a plurality of electrical contacts received in the insulative housing and each

electrical contact comprising a mating portion and an opposite insulation displacement portion exposed outside the insulative housing;

a cable comprising a plurality of conductors respectively electrically connected with the insulation displacement portions of the electrical contacts;

a cover assembled to the insulative housing and comprising a first face engaging with the cable and a second face opposite to the first face, the cover forming a pulling section thereon; and

a pull tab assembled to the cover and extending through the pulling section.

Claim 10 (original): The IDC cable end assembly as claimed in claim 9, wherein the pulling section of the cover is a pair of ribs formed on a pair of parallel surfaces perpendicular to the first and the second faces of the cover, and wherein the pull tab protrudes through the ribs, respectively.

Claim 11 (original): The IDC cable end assembly as claimed in claim 10, wherein each rib of the cover defines a slot therein, and wherein the pull tab protrudes through the slots to form a pair of receiving portions receiving the ribs, and a flat portion connecting the receiving portions and abutting against the second face of the cover.

Claim 12 (original): A cable end connector assembly comprising:

an insulative housing defining thereof a lengthwise direction and a lateral direction perpendicular to each other;

a plurality of contacts disposed in the housing, respectively;

a cable assembled to the housing and mechanically and electrically connected to the contacts;

an insulative cover cooperating with the housing to retain the cable therebetween;

a pair of laterally projecting pulling sections formed along two opposite elongated edges of said cover along said lengthwise direction, respectively; and

a pull tab device assembled to the cover and substantially located above said cover, wherein

said pull tab has a joint upper operation section with two split lower sections each applying an upward force only on each corresponding pulling section when the pulling force is applied on said joint upper operation section.

Claim 13 (original): The assembly as claimed in claim 12, wherein each of said pulling sections defines an elongated slot, along said lengthwise direction, into which the lower section extends.

Claim 14 (new): The cable end assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cover engages with the cable as well as engages with the pull tab.

Claim 15 (new): The assembly as claimed in claim 13, wherein said two lower sections are rejoined together once extending through the corresponding slots.

Claim 16 (new): The assembly as claimed in claim 12, wherein said pull tab is essentially of a loop configuration laterally.